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Dear Sid,

Our new follow-on contract with The Perkin-Elmer Corporation, Norwalk, Conn., bearing Contract No. AF33(600)-37827 requires the use of certain AF facilities presently available at their plant. The contractor has furnished the following explanation, which is somewhat involved, regarding use and retention of the facilities:

"Some time ago we were awarded Contract AF33(600)-25757 for a quantity of 36" f/3.5 aerial camera lenses. This contract is practically completed. Certain facilities listed in Attachment 1 were furnished directly under this contract, and in addition, Facilities Contract AF33(600)28501 was initiated, with Contract AF33(600)-25757 as a primary purpose. This facilities contract presently covers the following listed item:

| <u>Item</u> | <u>QTY.</u> | <u>Description</u> | <u>Value</u> | <u>USAF Marking</u> |
|-------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | 1 | Blanchard Curve Generator Grinder | \$39,332.00 | AF 375318 |

"In addition to the above, there is one other item which it will be necessary for us to retain in order to complete your project. This item is presently on Bailment Agreement AF33(600)-3063 and is the first item on Attachment 2. We have included the other items in Attachment 2 as it may be easier for you to transfer the whole list rather than one item; however, we leave this decision to you.

As long ago as September 1958 we attempted through the Air Force to establish a new primary purpose for the retention of all of these items and have requested that the items in Attachments 1 and 2 be transferred to Facilities Contract AF33(600)-28501. Our latest attempt was made August 7, 1959, through Mr. K. A. Williams at New York Air Procurement District to Mr. S. C. Coffin, LMBIAT, at AMC Aeronautical Systems Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. We had a visit yesterday from the New York facilities people and are still attempting to get this done through Air Force channels; however, our present assessment of the situation is that even if we are successful through this channel, it will be a very lengthy process and quite possibly,

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even though the equipment might remain here, we would be prohibited from using it until the issue was settled. We would, therefore, like to request that you take whatever steps you can to have our facilities contract modified to include the Blanchard Grinder and the equipment listed in Attachments 1 and 2 and to set as a new primary purpose the performance of work on the program described in our Project Plan.

I would like to point out that the probability exists that should you be successful in this endeavor, the secondary administration of the facilities contract, that is, AF33(600)-28501, will come to rest with New York Air Procurement District. In addition to this we would, as a normal business practice, include in our proposals to the Air Force, Army, Navy, and other Government agencies, a clause requesting no-charge usage of the above facilities on a non-interference basis which would require concurrence by Sid or some other Air Force source."

It is requested that you take whatever action is deemed appropriate to have the Blanchard Curve Generator Grinder retained and the items listed in Attachments 1 and 2 (Item 1 only) transferred to Facilities Contract No. AF33(600)-28501 for use in the performance of our Contract No. AF33(600)-37827. With reference to Attachment 2, only Item No. 1 is required, however, all items may be transferred if it is easier to effect the transfer in this manner.

A draft of a suggested letter to the appropriate AF office is enclosed.

Regards,


Dan